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Art Unit: 1636

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Examiner: G. Leffers, Jr.

For: ALTERING THE PROPERTIES OF CELLS OR

OF PARTICLES WITH MEMBRANES DERIVED FROM CELLS BY MEANS OF LIPD-MODIFIED PROTEINACEOUS

**MOLECULES** 

## AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

## INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is in response to the non-final Office Action dated May 18, 2004, for which a response was due on August 18, 2004. Filed herewith is a Petition and fee for a 3 months extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for response to November 18, 2004. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

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